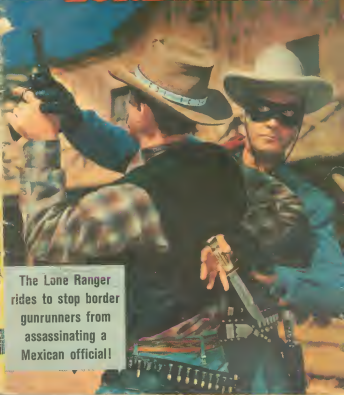


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MINUTES LATER





RISE INSIDE WITH US

THANK YOU, YOUR EXCELLENCY! I'LL TAKE MY BAGGAGE! I MAY NEED SOME-THING IN IT!



THERE ARE BANDITS IN OUR WILDS, SENOR, WHO DO NOT WISH OUR GOVERNMENTS TO CO-OPERATE FOR THAT WOULD MEAN AN END TO THEM! THE NEW RANGER STATION WILL HELP CONTROL GUNRUNNING FROM THE AMERICAN SIDE TO MEXICO! IF I AM SHOT --

—OUR GOVERNMENTS MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO CO-OPERATE AND THE BANDITS WOULD HAVE A FREE HAND!



SI SI! BUT MAYBE WE HAVE DEFEATED THEIR PLAN ALREADY!

I'M NOT SO CERTAIN YOUR EXCELLENCY! BUT I BELIEVE IF THEY PLAN TO ASSASSINATE YOU LATER, I KNOW WHERE AND WHEN -- AND CAN PREVENT IT!

MEANWHILE, THROUGH A PAIR OF BINOCULARS, AN INTERESTED OBSERVER WATCHES THE COACH RACE ON.



IS THE MASHED LAWMAN STILL RIDING IN THE STAGE, JOHNNY?

YEAH! HE'S PROBABLY GLOATING HOW SAFE THAT MEXICAN OFFICIAL IS NOW THAT HE STOPPED THOSE BANDITS FROM AMBUSHING HIM. LDU! THEY WERE JUST SUPPOSED TO STAGE A FAKE ATTACK AND BOO! BUT THEIR CAPTURE DOESN'T CHANGE ANYTHING!



WATCH THE STAGE! I WANT TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE MASKED RIDER! WE'RE GOING AHEAD TO WHERE WE'LL REALLY AMBUSH THAT MEXICAN OFFICIAL AND KEEP THE BORDER OPEN FOR OUR GUN-SMUGGLING BUSINESS!









BUT INSTEAD OF FIRING, THE HONOR GUARD
OBEYS A NEW ORDER...









SOON...



SERJOR BLAKE, I'M SORRY YOU HAD TO CUT OFF YOUR MUSTACHE FOR THIS DECISION!

SINCE OUR COACH WAS PROBABLY WATCHED ALL ALONG THE WAY, HOW ELSE COULD HE HAVE TAKEN MY PLACE EXCEPT FOR US TO SWITCH IDENTITIES IN THE COACH? TO DO THAT I HAD TO CLIP OFF MY MUSTACHE!



LUCKILY FOR HIM, HE FIGURED RIGHT THAT THE GUN SALUTE WOULD BE THE PLACE WHERE THEY WOULD MAKE ANOTHER ATTEMPT ON MY LIFE!

HE WAS A BRAVE MAN TO TAKE YOUR PLACE!



SEE! AND FOR A LITTLE WHILE, I HAD THE HONOR OF BEING MISTAKEN FOR THE LOVE RANGER!

HI-YO, SILVER! AWAY!



The MURDERED COUSIN

SHE IF YOU CAN SOLVE THIS MYSTERY ALONG WITH THE LONE RANGER!

YOU MISSED ME, RALPH, AND NOW I KNOW WHERE TO FIRE TO HIT YOU!"



REMO SABA, THEM TRY KILL EACH OTHER!

I U, TAKE T-C HEAR ONE, TONTO! COVER THE FEAR MAN!



DROP GUN QUICK!



HO-YOU'RE MASKED...

...IF I WERE AN OUTLAW, I WOULDN'T HAVE TRIED TO STOP YOUR GUNFIGHT! NOW TELL ME--WHY WERE YOU SHOOTING AT EACH OTHER?



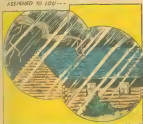
SOON...



IF RALPH STARTS TO CROSS THE DOG-TROT BETWEEN US, THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL FIND HIM! COME MORNING!



FIRST THE LOOSE SHOWER FOCUSES HIS BINOCULARS ON THE LEFT HALF OF THE TEXAS HOUSE ASSIGNED TO LOU----



THEN HE SHIFTS TO RALPH'S HALF AND SEES ALL IS WELL ...



NEXT MORNING





FOR SOLUTION, TURN PAGE UPSIDE DOWN....



THE LONG RANGER KNEW KEMO'S AUNT WAS FIRST BECAUSE WHEN HE CHECKED THE HOUR AT SEVEN O'CLOCK, WATER COULD NOT HAVE BEEN FLOWING DOWN... THERE WAS NO SHOT DURING THAT HIS COUSIN!

THE LONE RANGER

INTRUDERS IN WILD HORSE VALLEY



THAT NIGHT, SOON AFTER THEY SLEEP







AS TONTO GALLOPS OFF, SILVER STANDS, A LONE SENTINEL BY HIS FALLING COMPANION--



NEXT DAY...



LATER







MINUTES LATER



SOON



AS THE MEN BUILD A CORRAL, TOWNS TELLS THE DOCTOR WHERE TO FIND THE LONE RANGER! AFTER CUTTING THE DOCTOR'S BONDS WITH A ROCK, TOWNS ROLLS OFF TO CREATE A DIVERSION ...



MOMENTS LATER...



AS THE MEN FIRE, SIVER CHARGES, HARKING A BELLING CALL TO THE WILD HORSE HEED HE ONCE RODE...





BUT BEFORE THE MEN CAN GET A HEAD ON THE DODGING, CHASING SILVER, THE WILD HERD STRIKES WITH SUDDEN FURY.



SECONDS LATER, TONTO DRAWS THE LONG RANGER'S PEACE MAKER....





FOUR DAYS LATER, THE LONE RANGER IS STRONG ENOUGH TO RIDE! SWEARING THE DOCTOR INTO OBEDIENCE, THEY PICK UP THE FOUR MEN'S TEAM ..



LATER, THE FOLK ARE JAILED FOR ATTEMPTING TO MURDER THE MARKED RIDER...



BUZZARD Bait



Plodding across the parched wasteland Jace Stone looked over his shoulder. He could make out the distant speck that was Buzzard Bains. Yes, Buzzard was still back there, still trailing him with the two horses.

Jace grinned twistedly. Funny how it felt with the tables turned. Just yesterday he was the hunter, now he was the hunted. Just yesterday he had cornered and captured Buzzard Bains, the most cunning bank robber in Texas. Caught him with the twenty thousand that Bains had looted from the Lincoln Cattleman's bank.

But all that was yesterday. Today it was Buzzard Bains who held the whip hand. It had happened this morning when Jace was saddling the horses. In an unguarded moment the lawman had turned away from his captive. And that was all Buzzard had needed. Leaping on one horse and dragging the lead rope of the other he had made his escape. More than that, Bains was in possession of the water canteen which had been hanging from the horn of the saddled horse . . .

Another man would have been heading over the border by now. But not Buzzard. Jace had his guns and a man on the run needs his guns badly. More than that, the lawman had the bank loot, too—two heavy saddlebags loaded with gold. With-

out water and in this blazing heat it was only a matter of time until Jace Stone would be forced to drop the gold to conserve his strength.

But Jace knew that gold was his salvation. While his guns kept Bains at a respectful distance, the gold kept the bank robber from turning back. And while Bains followed him there was always the chance that Jace might get a chance to lure him into a showdown.

It was a good theory anyway. But Bains was too smart to close in. Not just yet.

It wasn't until the third day that Bains could see his chance coming. High above in the brassy sky he spotted the wheeling vultures. Those birds sure knew when to show up.

Just ahead of him Jace Stone was beginning to stumble.

A hundred yards down the trail Jace moved a few steps, tripped and fell. Climbing to his feet he could see that Bains was closing in. Like his feathered friends the badman scented the kill. Slowly, with shaking hands Jace aimed his gun and fired. Bains was already retreating, but he didn't have to. In Jace's shaky hands the bullet went wild. Haltering his gun the lawman moved on. He was stumbling more often now, making only a dozen steps between falls. And then he fell for the last time. With no strength to do anything but crawl, he crept along until finally he lay still.

Even as the buzzards swooped down their human brother came galloping up. Buzzard Bains' plan had worked perfectly. The gold and the guns would be his now. Jace had fallen across the saddlebags but it was just a matter of rolling him over. Bains reached out with a contemptuous boot and rolled over the limp form. And then abruptly he was standing erect. For suddenly Jace was sitting up, a gun in his hand and a grin on his face.

"Of all the dirty, double-crossing—," Bains began.

"Depends on how you look at it," said Jace. "The way I see it you were just another hungry buzzard on the loose. All I had to do to trap you was to use the right kind of bait."

—BY JACK LONDON

YOUNG HAWK

REPELS BOARDERS

THERE IS NO SIGN
YET OF OUR ENEMIES
YOUNG HAWK!

THEY WILL FOLLOW!
THEY WILL NOT LET US!
THE CAPTIVES WE HAVE
FREED GET AWAY
WITHOUT A CHASE!
LITTLE BUCK!

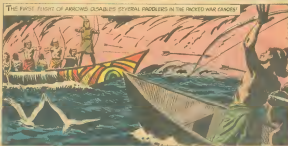
YOUNG HAWK AND LITTLE BUCK
AND THEIR FIVE HADA BRABES
HAVE JUST MADE A RAID ON
A LARGE TLEWEEV LAGE ON
THE NORTH PACIFIC COAST
AND MADE POSSIBLE THE ESCAPE
OF MANY CAPTIVE HADA WOMEN
AND CHILDREN—WHO FOLLOW THE
BIG CANOE AHEAD OF THEM.

SEE! HERE THEY
COME AFTER US—
THREE WAR CANOES!



BEFORE THEY REACH THE TLEWEEV LAGE, THE THREE WAR CANOES ARE IN A TIGHT RACE! RAPIDLY THEY
SHORTEN THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THEM AND THE THOMAS—





NOT YET! RATHER, HE'S TRYING TO
ON HIS OWN, DETERMINED



YOUNG HAWK SWINGS HIS CANOE TOWARD THE
DODGE THE ATTACK...



MY ARROWS ARE GONE—
WE'LL STOP THEM WITH
WAR CLUBS!

MY LAST ARROW
TOO, SEA EAGLE!



WHEN THE SUNSET CLOSE, WE'LL FIGHT
THEM WITH RAGGLES! WE'LL STAY FREE
OR DIE WITH YOU, OUR BROTHERS!



THE FIRST ENEMY CANOE, TRYING TO KILL YOUNG HAWK, COMES CLOSE ALONGSIDE

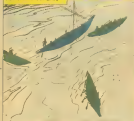
DEATH TO THE
HAWKS!

HAW! KILL!





THE THIRD TUNGST WAR-CRAFT TURNS BACK, ADMITTING DEFEAT!



THEY ARE ALL LAUGHING FROM THE TOP OF THE HILL.



MANY DAYS LATER, TOWING THE HEAVY WOMEN'S CANOE, YOUNG HAWK SAILS INTO A FAMILIAR RIVER MOUTH.



THEN, ENTERING THE SMALL TRIBUTARY RIVER —

STARS AHEAD — FISHING!
SHALL WE SHOOT — OR TURN
BACK, YOUNG HAWK?

NEITHER! THERE
ARE ONLY THREE
IN SIGHT!



HO! IT IS ONLY A
MOTHER AND CUB!

SUDDENLY, ROUND THE BEND THEY SEE THEIR VILLAGE!



OUR HOME! OUR HOME —
WHAT IS LEFT OF IT! THE
CHIEF'S HOUSE STANDS!



LITTLE BUCK AND I REGARD YOU AS A FATHER,
O KING EAGLE! YOUR YOUNG MEN, WHOM WE
BROUGHT FROM CAPTIVITY AMONG THE INDIANS,
ARE LIKE OUR BROTHERS! BUT WE HAVE A
"MEDICINE" DREAM WHICH WE MUST FOLLOW, TO
THE LAND OF THE GREAT WHITE BEAR!



THINKING THE EAGLE, LEADER OF THE YOUNG
MEN, MAKES THIS REQUEST!

AND I BEG THE HONOR OF GOING WITH
YOU, YOUNG HAWK AND LITTLE BUCK! MY
HEART WILL BE CONTENT WITH NOTHING LESS!
DO NOT DENY ME, MY BROTHERS!



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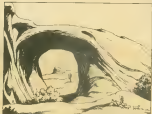
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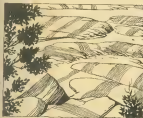
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